

YOUTH AMBASSADORS

with **Belize**



The **Youth Ambassadors Program** aims to develop a cadre of young adults from across countries in the Americas who have a strong sense of civic responsibility, a commitment to their communities, an awareness of current and global issues, and strong interpersonal leadership skills. The program aims to promote mutual understanding, respect, and collaboration between people in the United States and other countries of the Western Hemisphere. The program is open to teenagers ages 15-18 and Adult Educators (mentors).

What Participants Gain from the Youth Ambassadors Program

Leadership Skills | Intercultural Understanding | Networking Opportunities

Professional Development | Global Perspectives | Scholarship & Fellowship Opportunities

Community Service | Communication Skills

Participants will explore program themes such as civic education, leadership, and community service, and youth and social transformation through the following activities: site meetings, experiential learning activities, leadership trainings, civic participation at the community level, mentoring by community, business, and NGO leaders, and volunteering.



Application closes on **February 18, 2022 at 12 p.m. Eastern Standard Time**
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ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

All Youth Participants must:

- Be a citizen and resident of Belize
- Be between the ages of 15-18
- Have at least one semester of high school left after September 2022
- Demonstrate leadership potential and community involvement
- Have limited U.S. and other international travel
- Have parental/legal guardian permission for travel (national or international) or online programming

All Adult Educator applicants must:

- Be a citizen and resident of Belize
- Actively work with youth in a high school or community setting
- Be willing and able to meet periodically with youth participants after the exchange to support and monitor civic engagement projects



PROGRAM DETAILS

Single and multi-country exchanges will take place in 2022; exact dates will vary. Activities may take place as a two-week travel exchange to the United States, a one-week domestic travel program within the home country, or a five-week virtual exchange. Program formats are subject to change in consultation with the U.S. Department of State. Any program with an in-person gathering, national or international, will have a vaccine requirement; participants must show proof of full vaccination prior to the start of the program.

We continue to closely monitor the impact of COVID-19 on international travel and U.S. government-funded exchanges conducted in the United States and abroad. We anticipate conducting Youth Ambassadors programs in 2022 and we will post updates as available.

